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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
GREAT PRAIRIE OASIS L.L.C. DBA SUNLAND
WATER COMPANY FOR A RATE INCREASE.

DOCKET NO. W-04015A-12-0051

**STAFF'S RESPONSE TO
PROCEDURAL ORDER**

In the procedural order dated March 9, 2012, Administrative Law Judge Sarah Harpring, directed the parties to state whether it would or would not be in the public interest to consolidate the rate application of Great Prairie Oasis, LLC dba Sunland Water Company ("Company") with its filed financing application. The Utilities Division ("Staff") of the Arizona Corporation Commission (Commission) files its response and believes that consolidation of the two dockets would be in the public interest.

The Commission's rules provide that the cases can be consolidated when the "issues are substantially the same." A.A.C. R14-3-109(H). Thus, the Commission has consolidated cases when the cases "rely upon the same law, facts, and witnesses." In this instance, Staff will review substantially the same financial data when evaluating the rate application and the financing application. Consolidation would also conserve Staff resources and promote the efficient use of judicial resources. Further the Company has indicated that it favors consolidation.

Staff believes consolidation is appropriate and in the public interest.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 16th day of March, 2012.

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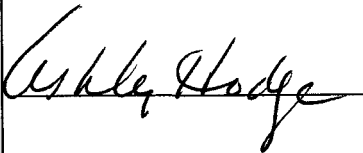
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